

September 10, 2014

Item No. 4

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THREE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS/SPECIAL INITIATIVES

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners approve three Demonstration Programs/Special Initiatives in order to clearly articulate current initiatives and to establish the new process through which all such future demonstration programs and special initiatives will be approved.

The Deputy Chief Housing Officer of Housing Choice Voucher and the Deputy Chief Housing Officer for Resident Services have completed all necessary due diligence to support the submission of this initiative and recommend the approval of this item accordingly.

Moving On Demonstration Program

Moving On is a demonstration program which targets persons living in permanent supportive housing who are ready to move into affordable housing options in the community. The CHA provides a tenant-based voucher to assist with their housing transition.

Housing Choice Voucher Deinstitutionalization Initiative

The Housing Choice Voucher Deinstitutionalization Initiative is a demonstration program that targets Colbert or Williams class members to assist in their transition from living in an institution to living in the community. The initiative is a partnership with the State of Illinois. Applicants who are referred to the CHA by the State of Illinois or by an agency approved by the State may receive a voucher to assist in their transition from institutional living.

Access Living Family Voucher Initiative

The Access Living Family (ALF) Voucher Initiative is a special initiative that targets families with one or more disabled members and disabled individuals who are working with Access Living to secure permanent affordable housing. Families and individuals referred to CHA by Access Living may receive a tenant-based voucher.

The attached "Chicago Housing Authority Demonstration Program and Special Initiatives Overview" document provides greater detail on each program.

CORPORATE GOAL

Plan Forward Goal 1: Develop healthy, vibrant communities

Moving to Work Goal: Expand housing options for low-income persons

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with all applicable Chicago Housing Authority board policies and all applicable federal (HUD) procurement laws.

The Chief Housing Officer concurs with the recommendation to approve the Moving On Demonstration Program, the Housing Choice Voucher Deinstitutionalization Initiative, and the Access

Living Family Vouchers Initiative, as described in the “Chicago Housing Authority Demonstration Program and Special Initiatives Overview” document attached hereto.

The CEO/President recommends the approval to approve the Moving On Demonstration Program, the Housing Choice Voucher Deinstitutionalization Initiative, and the Access Living Family Vouchers Initiative, as described in the “Chicago Housing Authority Demonstration Program and Special Initiatives Overview” document attached hereto.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-CHA-93

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Board Letter dated September 10, 2014 entitled “AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THREE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS/SPECIAL INITIATIVES”;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to approve the Moving On Demonstration Program, the Housing Choice Voucher Deinstitutionalization Initiative, and the Access Living Family Vouchers Initiative, as described in the “Chicago Housing Authority Demonstration Program and Special Initiatives Overview” document attached hereto.



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